IN THE CLAIMS:

Please AMEND claims 1-34 and 36-46;

Please CANCEL claim 35 without disclaimer or prejudice; and

Please ADD claim 47 as shown below.

1. (Currently Amended) A method ~~for charging a streaming connection in a mobile packet radio system, the system comprising a streaming source and a subscriber capable of receiving streaming data from said streaming source,~~ ~~the method~~ comprising ~~the steps of~~:

establishing a data connection for a subscriber;

establishing a ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection between said subscriber and a streaming source;

terminating the ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection between said subscriber and said streaming source; and

charging said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection using a time-based charging.

2. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The method according to claim 1, wherein said ~~step of~~ charging further comprises ~~the steps of~~:

measuring a length of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection;, and

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generating charging information based on said length.

3. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The method according to claim 2, wherein said ~~step of~~ measuring said length of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection further comprises ~~a step of:~~

identifying a start and an end of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection based on a change of a state of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection.

4. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The method according to claim 2, wherein said ~~step of~~ measuring the length of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection further comprises ~~the steps of:~~

recognizing a start of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection~~;~~,

starting a timer for measuring the length of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection~~;~~,

recognizing an end of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection~~;~~,

stopping said timer for measuring the length of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection~~;~~, and

obtaining the length of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection from said timer.

5. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The method according to claim 4, wherein said ~~step of~~ recognizing said start further comprises

    ~~a step of~~ recognizing a play message.

6. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The method according to claim 4, wherein said ~~step of~~ recognizing the end of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection further comprises

    ~~the step of~~ recognizing at least one of a teardown message ~~and~~or a disconnect message.

7. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The method according to claim 2, wherein said ~~step of~~ measuring said length of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection further comprises ~~the steps of:~~

    generating time stamps based on messages sent by said subscriber, and

    based on said time stamps, calculating said length of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection.

8. (Currently Amended) A The method according to claim 7, ~~wherein the method~~ further comprises~~ing the steps of~~:

recognizing a start of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection;

creating a first time stamp indicating a start time of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection;

recognizing an end of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection;

creating a second time stamp indicating the end of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection; and

calculating said length of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection based on said first and said second time stamps.

9. (Currently Amended) A The method according to claim 8, wherein said ~~step of~~ recognizing said start further comprises

~~a step of~~ recognizing a play message.

10. (Currently Amended) A The method according to claim 8, wherein said ~~step of~~ recognizing said end of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection further comprises

a step of recognizing at least one of a teardown message and or a

disconnect message.

11. (Currently Amended) A The method according to claim 2, wherein said step

of measuring the length of said streaming connectioncontinuous streaming connection

further comprises a step of:

identifying a temporary stop of said streaming connectioncontinuous

streaming connection based on a change of a state of said streaming

connectioncontinuous streaming connection.

12. (Currently Amended) A The method according to claim 11, wherein said

step of identifying a temporary stop of said streaming connectioncontinuous streaming

connection is based on identifying a temporary stop.

13. (Currently Amended) A The method according to claim 12, wherein said

step of identifying a temporary stop comprises

identifying a pause message.

14. (Currently Amended) A The method according to claim 2, wherein said step

of measuring the length of said streaming connectioncontinuous streaming connection

further comprises the steps of:

sending temporary stop information about a temporary stop of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection;,

based on said temporary stop information, halting temporarily the measuring of said length of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection;,

sending restart information about a restart of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection;,

based on said restart information, restarting the measuring of said length of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection;, and

measuring the length of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection based on said temporarily halting and restarting of the measuring of said length of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection.

15. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The method according to claim 1, ~~wherein the method~~ further ~~compris~~esing~~ the step of~~:

checking whether a ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection for the subscriber can be established.

16. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The method according to claim 1, ~~wherein the method~~ further ~~compris~~esing~~ the step of~~:

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checking whether said time based charging can be used for said subscriber for streaming connections.

17. (Currently Amended) A~~A~~ The method according to claim 1, ~~wherein the method~~ further ~~comprises~~ comprising~~the step of~~:

checking whether said time based charging can be used for said subscriber for said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection.

18. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The method according to claim 15, wherein said checking is performed based on at least one of a ~~Mobile~~mobile ~~Subscriber~~subscriber ~~International~~international ~~Mobile~~mobile ~~Station~~station ~~Identifier~~identifier number, an ~~International~~international ~~Mobile~~mobile ~~Subscriber~~subscriber ~~Identity~~identity number, a client number, an identifier number, ~~and~~or a subscriber identifier.

19. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The method according to claim 16, wherein said checking is performed based on at least one of a ~~Mobile~~mobile ~~Subscriber~~subscriber ~~International~~international ~~Mobile~~mobile ~~Station~~station ~~Identifier~~identifier number, an ~~International~~international ~~Mobile~~mobile ~~Subscriber~~subscriber ~~Identity~~identity number, a client number, an identifier number, ~~and~~or a subscriber identifier.

20. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The method according to claim 17, wherein said checking is performed based on at least one of a ~~Mobile~~ mobile ~~Subscriber~~ subscriber ~~International~~ international ~~Mobile~~ mobile ~~Station~~ station ~~Identifier~~ identifier number, an ~~International~~ international ~~Mobile~~ mobile ~~Subscriber~~ subscriber ~~Identity~~ identity number, a client number, an identifier number, ~~and~~ or a subscriber identifier.

21. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The method according to claim 2, ~~wherein the method~~ further ~~comprises~~ comprising ~~the step of~~:

storing said length of said ~~streaming connection~~ continuous streaming connection in one or several charging records.

22. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The method according to claim 2, ~~wherein the method~~ further ~~comprises~~ comprising ~~the step of~~:

storing said length of said ~~streaming connection~~ continuous streaming connection in one or several charging records relating to said subscriber.

23. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The method according to claim 2, ~~wherein the method~~ further ~~comprises~~ comprising ~~the step of~~:

generating a charging record comprising said length of said ~~streaming connection~~ continuous streaming connection in relation to said subscriber.

24. (Currently Amended) A mobile packet radio system ~~for charging a streaming connection, the system~~ comprising:

a streaming source;

a subscriber ~~capable of receiving~~configured to receive streaming data from said streaming source;

a first establish~~ing~~ment ~~means for establishing~~unit configured to establish a data connection for said subscriber;

a second establish~~ing~~ment ~~means for establishing~~unit configured to establish a ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection between said subscriber and said streaming source;

a ~~terminating~~termination ~~means for terminating~~unit configured to terminate said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection between said subscriber and said streaming source; and

a charger ~~for charging~~configured to charge said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection using a time-based charging.

25. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~The mobile packet radio system according to claim 24, wherein said charger comprises~~:~~

a ~~measuring~~measurement ~~means for measuring~~unit configured to measure a length of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection~~;~~

, and

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a generator ~~responsive to said length for generating~~ configured to generate charging information responsive to said length.

26. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The mobile packet radio system according to claim 25, wherein said ~~measuring means for measuring the length of said streaming connection~~ measurement unit comprises:

a first identifier ~~for identifying~~ configured to identify a start and an end of said ~~streaming connection~~ continuous streaming connection based on a change of a state of said ~~streaming connection~~ continuous streaming connection.

27. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The mobile packet radio system according to claim 25, wherein said ~~measuring means for measuring the length of said streaming connection~~ measurement unit comprises~~:~~

a ~~recognizing~~ recognition ~~means for recognizing~~ unit configured to recognize a start and an end of said ~~streaming connection~~ continuous streaming connection~~;~~, and

a timer, responsive to said ~~recognizing means~~ recognition unit, ~~for measuring~~ configured to measure the length of said ~~streaming connection~~ continuous streaming connection.

28. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The mobile packet radio system according to claim 27, wherein said ~~recognizing means are~~ recognition unit is configured to recognize the start or the end of said ~~streaming connection~~ continuous streaming connection by recognizing at least one of a play message, a teardown message, ~~and~~ or a disconnect message.

29. (Currently Amended) The mobile packet radio system according to claim 25, ~~wherein said system comprises~~ further comprising:

a time stamps generator ~~for generating~~ configured to generate time stamps in response to messages sent by said subscriber.

30. (Currently Amended) The mobile packet radio system according to claim 29, ~~wherein the system comprises~~ further comprising:

a calculator ~~means~~, responsive to said time stamps, ~~for calculating~~ configured to calculate said length of said ~~streaming connection~~ continuous streaming connection.

31. (Currently Amended) The mobile packet radio system according to claim 29, wherein said time stamps generator is ~~arranged~~ configured:

to recognize a start of said ~~streaming connection~~ continuous streaming connection;

to create a first time stamp indicating a start time of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection~~;~~,

to recognize an end of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection~~;~~, and

to create a second time stamp indicating the end of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection.

32. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The mobile packet radio system according to claim 31, wherein said system is, in response to said first and said second time stamp, configured to calculate said length of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection.

33. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The mobile packet radio system according to claim 32, wherein said time stamp generator is configured to recognize a start or an end of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection by recognizing at least one of a play message, a teardown message, ~~and~~ or a disconnect message.

34. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The mobile packet radio system according to claim 26, wherein said measuring means for measuring the length of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection comprises~~:~~

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a second identifier ~~for identifying~~ configured to identify a temporary stop

of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection in response to a

change of a state of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection.

35. (Cancelled).

36. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The mobile packet radio system according to claim

~~35~~34, wherein said temporary stop comprises a pause message.

37. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The mobile packet radio system according to claim

~~35~~34, wherein said ~~measuring means for measuring the length of said streaming~~

~~connection are~~measurement unit is ~~arranged~~configured~~:~~

to indicate a temporary break of said length of said ~~streaming~~

~~connection~~continuous streaming connection in response to temporary stop

information about said temporary stop~~;~~,

to continue the ~~measuring~~measurement of said length of said ~~streaming~~

~~connection~~continuous streaming connection in response to restart information

about a restart~~;~~, and

to measure the length of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming

connection based on said indication of the temporary break and said restart~~ing~~ of

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the ~~measuring~~ measurement of the length of said ~~streaming connection~~ continuous streaming connection.

38. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The mobile packet radio system according to claim 24, ~~wherein the system~~ further ~~comprises~~ comprising:

a first checker ~~for checking~~ configured to check whether said ~~streaming connection~~ continuous streaming connection for said subscriber can be established.

39. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The mobile packet radio system according to claim 24, ~~wherein the system further comprises~~ further comprising:

a second checker ~~for checking~~ configured to check whether said time based charging can be utilized for said subscriber for streaming connections.

40. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The mobile packet radio system according to claim 24, ~~wherein the system further comprises~~ further comprising:

a third checker ~~for checking~~ configured to check whether said time based charging can be utilized for said subscriber for said ~~streaming connection~~ continuous streaming connection.

41. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The mobile packet radio system according to claim 38, wherein said first ~~checking~~ checker is configured to check ~~is performed~~ based on at

least one of a ~~Mobile~~ mobile ~~Subscriber~~ subscriber ~~International~~ international ~~Mobile~~ mobile ~~Station~~ station ~~Identifier~~ identifier number, an ~~International~~ international ~~Mobile~~ mobile ~~Subscriber~~ subscriber ~~Identity~~ identity number, a client number, an identifier number, ~~and~~ or a subscriber identifier.

42. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The mobile packet radio system according to claim 39, wherein said second checker is configured to check ~~checking is performed~~ based on at least one of a ~~Mobile~~ mobile ~~Subscriber~~ subscriber ~~International~~ international ~~Mobile~~ mobile ~~Station~~ station ~~Identifier~~ identifier number, an ~~International~~ international ~~Mobile~~ mobile ~~Subscriber~~ subscriber ~~Identity~~ identity number, a client number, an identifier number, ~~and~~ or a subscriber identifier.

43. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The mobile packet radio system according to claim 40 wherein said third checker is configured to check ~~checking is performed~~ based on at least one of a ~~Mobile~~ mobile ~~Subscriber~~ subscriber ~~International~~ international ~~Mobile~~ mobile ~~Station~~ station ~~Identifier~~ identifier number, an ~~International~~ international ~~Mobile~~ mobile ~~Subscriber~~ subscriber ~~Identity~~ identity number, a client number, an identifier number, ~~and~~ or a subscriber identifier.

44. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The mobile packet radio system according to claim 25, ~~wherein the system further comprises~~ further comprising:

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a database ~~for storing~~ configured to store the length of the ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection in one or several charging records.

45. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The mobile packet radio system according to claim 25, ~~wherein the system further comprises~~further comprising:

a database ~~for storing~~ configured to store the length of the ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection in one or several charging records relating to said subscriber.

46. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The mobile packet radio system according to claim 25, ~~wherein the system further comprises~~further comprising:

a charging generator ~~for generating~~ configured to generate a charging record comprising said length of said ~~streaming connection~~continuous streaming connection in relation to said subscriber.

47. (New) A mobile packet radio system, comprising:

a streaming source;

a subscriber configured to receive streaming data from said streaming source;

first establishing means for establishing a data connection for said subscriber;

second establishing means for establishing a continuous streaming connection between said subscriber and said streaming source;

terminating means for terminating said continuous streaming connection

between said subscriber and said streaming source; and

a charger for charging said continuous streaming connection using a time-based

charging.